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September 3, 2009

Governor Christine Gregoire
Office of the Governor
PO Box 40002
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Subject: North Spokane Corridor (NSC) TIGER Grant Application

Dear Governor Gregoire,

We were pleased to learn of Secretary Paula Hammond announcement on August 22, 2009 of your decision to submit a \$35 million dollar North Spokane Corridor Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation. Several of us attended the ribbon cutting ceremony and were impressed with what has been accomplished by WSDOT to date. Should the State of Washington be successful in receiving the TIGER grant funds for finishing US 395 to Frances, the entire region will benefit.

This project has been on the books for decades, slowly gaining momentum with assistance from your office, the legislature, and various members of Congress. We believe the enthusiasm from this recent accomplishment will be a spring board to finish what was started.


As the Spokane region continues to seek funding for additional segments of the NSC, we hope for your continued support and advocacy for this significant transportation asset. This asset will benefit the regions we represent, especially with regard to international economic development opportunities.


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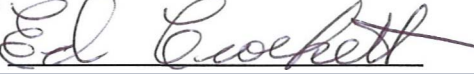
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If there is anything we can do to help support this vital transportation project, please contact the Chair of our Association.

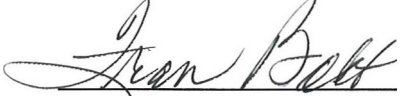
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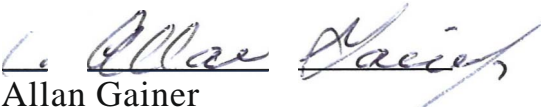

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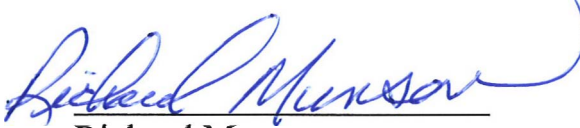

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